CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication:	me-and-my-granddaddy-9
Other known title(s):	Not stated
OFLC ref:	1100732.012
Medium:	Computer Text File
Author:	Not stated
Country of origin:	Not stated
Language:	English
Applicant:	Comptroller of Customs
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive note:	None
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	05 August 2011
Date of direction to issue a label:	No direction to issue a label has been issued

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer text file is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.

The computer text file describes in explicit detail sexual encounters between a 12-year-old-girl and her grandfather, and between three young girls. The descriptive nature of the text means that it is clearly intended for sexual titillation or arousal. For those with a sexual interest in children, the publication serves to legitimise and encourage that interest.

The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, however this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.